

IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

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MAY 9, 1836.

Read, and ordered to be printed.

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Mr. HUBBARD made the following

REPORT,

WITH SENATE BILL NO. 249.

*The Committee on Revolutionary Claims, to whom was referred a resolution of the Senate, instructing the committee to inquire into the expediency of allowing to Benjamin J. Porter, a surgeons' mate in the army of the Revolution, commutation, &c., report :*

That it appears from the certificate of the Third Auditor, that Benjamin Jones Porter was appointed a surgeons' mate in the Massachusetts continental line of the revolutionary army, on the 10th of April, 1780, and that he continued in service to the close of the war. It also appears that Doctor Porter never received any certificate for commutation—as the resolutions of the old Congress have been construed at the Department not to embrace surgeons' mates. The committee entertain a different opinion, and consider Doctor Porter as justly entitled to the commutation of five years' full pay of captain, in lieu of the half pay for life—that being the pay allowed to a surgeons' mate of the army.

They therefore report a bill for his relief.

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MAY 1, 1868.

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Mr. HARRISON reads the following:

REPORT.

WITH SENATE FILE NO. 219.

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred a resolution of the Senate, passed on the 10th of April, 1868, relative to the expediency of allowing to Doctor J. Porter a pension, made the following report:

That it appears from the certificate of the Third Auditor, that Doctor J. Porter was appointed a surgeon, and made in the Massachusetts Continental line of the revolutionary war, on the 10th of April, 1780, and that he continued in service to the close of the war. It also appears that Doctor Porter never received any certificate for compensation as the resolutions of the old Congress have been construed at the Department not to embrace surgeons' names. The committee entertain a different opinion, and consider Doctor Porter as justly entitled to the compensation of five years' full pay of captain, in lieu of the half pay for life—that being the pay allowed to a surgeon's mate of the army. They therefore report a bill for his relief.

(This is a Senate bill.)